

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Case No. 12870US03

**PATENT** 

In the Application of:

F. Van Baltz et al.

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For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR A

CASHLESS ACTUATED GAMING

**SYSTEM** 

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In response to the Office Action dated September 24, 2003, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

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